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## House Resolution No. 2555

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educational institutions that admirably provide today's students with the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Carver Middle School has attained considerable distinction in the Springfield R-XII School District of Greene County, which educates nearly twenty-five thousand students through the expertise of more than nineteen hundred certificated staff; and

Whereas, Carver Middle School will enhance its already impressive record of achievement when it is publically lauded by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education at the Gold Star Schools reception on Tuesday, May 6, 2008, in Jefferson City; and

Whereas, one of fifteen Gold Star Schools selected for the 2007-2008 school year, Carver Middle School has developed and maintained an exceptional record of exemplary performance and achievement under the leadership of Principal Dan O'Reilly; and

Whereas, established in 1991 by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Gold Star Schools program utilizes the same criteria as the No Child Left Behind--Blue Ribbon program; and

Whereas, Gold Star Schools are selected on the basis of their "high level" achievement or "significant improvement" results on the MAP communication arts and mathematics exams for each of the past three years, for their meeting federal Adequate Yearly Progress requirements, and for their using research-based strategies and practices to improve student achievement:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Carver Middle School as a Gold Star School by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Carver Middle School in the Springfield R-XII School District.

Offered by

Representative B.J. Marsh
District No. 136

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2555, adopted May 5, 2008.